

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
23rd Legislative Day  
Tuesday, March 24, 2015

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Colonel Andrew Gibson, Senior Army Chaplain, Maine Army National Guard, Augusta.

National Anthem by Technical Sergeant Joel Crowley, Windham.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Doctors of the day, Dieter Kreckel, M.D., Rumford and Lisa Torgersen, M.D., Canton.

The Journal of March 19, 2015 was read and approved.

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**SENATE PAPERS**

Bill "An Act Regarding Residential Drinking Water Arsenic Testing"

(S.P. 328) (L.D. 937)

Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested and ordered printed.

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

The Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**, in **NON-CONCURRENCE** and sent for concurrence.

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**COMMUNICATIONS**

The Following Communication: (H.C. 98)

**STATE OF MAINE  
CLERK'S OFFICE  
2 STATE HOUSE STATION  
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0002**

March 24, 2015

Honorable Mark W. Eves

Speaker of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Eves:

Pursuant to Joint Rule 310, the following Joint Standing Committees have voted unanimously to report the following bills out "Ought Not to Pass:"

Insurance and Financial Services

L.D. 481 An Act To Amend the Eligibility Requirements for the Rural Medical Access Program

L.D. 643 An Act To Protect Veterans Returning from Active Duty from Losing Their Homes

Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development

L.D. 250 An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding Dealers in Secondhand Precious Metals

L.D. 277 An Act To License Polysomnography

L.D. 362 An Act To Require Dentists To Disclose the Cost and Origin of Off-site Laboratory Services

L.D. 486 An Act To Require Adequate Rest Breaks for Employees

Transportation

L.D. 410 Resolve, To Direct the Department of Transportation To Require the Word "Danger" on All Road Signs That Warn of Moose

L.D. 411 Resolve, Regarding Engineering for Route 161

The sponsors and cosponsors have been notified of the Committee's action.

Sincerely,

S/Robert B. Hunt

Clerk of House

**READ** and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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The Following Communication: (H.C. 99)

**PERMANENT COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN**

March 19, 2015

Honorable Mark W. Eves

Speaker of the House

2 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Speaker Eves:

On behalf of the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women, please find our 2015 Report on the Status of Women and Girls in Maine for your review and consideration.

As you may know, the nonpartisan Commission was established in Maine statute in 2010 and charged with advising the state's policy makers on issues that are relevant to the state's female population. Our members hail from many different backgrounds and represent a variety of perspectives.

This report, our second, reflects our collaborative effort to analyze available data surrounding five policy dimensions (education; economic security; health; safety & wellbeing; and leadership & public life), as well as an analysis of direct input from Maine women and girls. Together, this information has formed the basis for our policy recommendations, which you will find at the beginning of our report.

We hope to have the opportunity to discuss our findings and recommendations with you during this legislative session, and will follow up with your office about scheduling a meeting time. In the meantime, we respectfully offer ourselves up as a resource for you in the important work that you do to move Maine forward.

Our Commission is eager to work with you to increase the wellbeing of Maine women and girls—and by extension, all Mainers. If you have any questions in the interim or would like additional information, please contact me via email: [airwin@mainecahc.org](mailto:airwin@mainecahc.org) or by phone: 207-622-7083 x1213 or Governance Chair Elizabeth Ward Saxl ([director@mecasa.org](mailto:director@mecasa.org), 207-626-0034). You can find more information on our Commission and the report on the Secretary of State's website: [www.maine.gov/sos/womens-comm.htm](http://www.maine.gov/sos/womens-comm.htm).

Sincerely,

Andrea L. Irwin,

Acting Chair

Maine's Permanent Commission on the Status of Women

**READ** and with accompanying papers **ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.**

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**PETITIONS, BILLS AND RESOLVES REQUIRING REFERENCE**

The following Bills and Resolves were received, and upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills were **REFERRED** to the following Committees, ordered printed and sent for concurrence:

**APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**

Bill "An Act To Implement the Combination Defined Benefit and Defined Contribution Retirement Plan Described in a Report Submitted to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs in March 2012"

(H.P. 715) (L.D. 1032)

Sponsored by Representative WINSOR of Norway.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Stimulate Investment in Innovation by Maine Businesses To Produce Nationally and Globally Competitive Products and Services"

(H.P. 722) (L.D. 1053)

Sponsored by Representative LUCHINI of Ellsworth.

Cosponsored by Senator LANGLEY of Hancock and Representatives: Speaker EVES of North Berwick, GIDEON of Freeport, HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, JORGENSEN of Portland, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, ROTUNDO of Lewiston, Senator: KATZ of Kennebec.

Bill "An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Upgrade Municipal Culverts at Stream Crossings"

(H.P. 738) (L.D. 1069)

Sponsored by Representative McCABE of Skowhegan.

Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis and Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, BABBIDGE of Kennebunk, BATES of Westbrook, BEAR of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians, BEAVERS of South Berwick, BLUME of York, BROOKS of Lewiston, BRYANT of Windham, BURSTEIN of Lincolnville, CHENETTE of Saco, COOPER of Yarmouth, DAUGHTRY of Brunswick, DAVITT of Hampden, DEVIN of Newcastle, DOORE of Augusta, DUCHESNE of Hudson, DUNPHY of Old Town, EVANGELOS of Friendship, FARNSWORTH of Portland, FOWLE of Vassalboro, FREDETTE of Newport, GIDEON of Freeport, GILBERT of Jay, GOLDEN of Lewiston, GRANT of Gardiner, HICKMAN of Winthrop, HOBBS of Saco, HOGAN of Old Orchard Beach, HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, JORGENSEN of Portland, KORNFIELD of Bangor, KUMIEGA of Deer Isle, LAJOIE of Lewiston, LONGSTAFF of Waterville, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MASTRACCIO of Sanford, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, MONAGHAN of Cape Elizabeth, NADEAU of Winslow, PIERCE of Dresden, PIERCE of Falmouth, POWERS of Naples, ROTUNDO of Lewiston, RYKERSON of Kittery, SANBORN of Gorham, SAUCIER of Presque Isle, SCHNECK of Bangor, SHAW of Standish, STUCKEY of Portland, TEPLER of Topsham, TIPPING-SPITZ of Orono, VEROW of Brewer, WARREN of Hallowell, Senators: ALFOND of Cumberland, BREEN of Cumberland, DIAMOND of Cumberland, DILL of Penobscot, GERZOFKY of Cumberland, GRATWICK of Penobscot, HASKELL of Cumberland, HILL of York, JOHNSON of Lincoln, LANGLEY of Hancock, LIBBY of Androscoggin, MILLETT of Cumberland, MIRAMANT of Knox, PATRICK of Oxford, SAVIELLO of Franklin, WHITTEMORE of Somerset.

#### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

Bill "An Act To Improve Maine's Juvenile Justice System"

(H.P. 712) (L.D. 1029)

Sponsored by Representative DION of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator GERZOFKY of Cumberland and Representative: FREY of Bangor.

Bill "An Act To Increase the Safety of Amusement Rides" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 726) (L.D. 1057)

Sponsored by Representative NUTTING of Oakland.

Cosponsored by Senator KATZ of Kennebec and Representatives: HILLIARD of Belgrade, LAJOIE of Lewiston, THERIAULT of China, TIMMONS of Cumberland, WARREN of Hallowell.

Bill "An Act To Allow Certain Active Duty Military Personnel To Pay the Resident Application Fee for a Concealed Handgun Permit"

(H.P. 737) (L.D. 1068)

Sponsored by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington.

Cosponsored by Senator ROSEN of Hancock and Representatives: BEAR of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians, GILLWAY of Searsport, NUTTING of Oakland, SHERMAN of Hodgdon, SHORT of Pittsfield, TUELL of East Machias, VEROW of Brewer.

#### **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

Bill "An Act To Allow for Collaboration in Public Charter Schools"

(H.P. 716) (L.D. 1047)

Sponsored by Representative POULIOT of Augusta.

Bill "An Act To Allow School Administrative District No. 27 To Transfer Ownership of the St. Francis Elementary School to the Town of St. Francis" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 717) (L.D. 1048)

Sponsored by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake.

Cosponsored by Senator EDGECOMB of Aroostook.

Resolve, To Establish the Maine Summer Success Program

(H.P. 733) (L.D. 1064)

Sponsored by Representative POULIOT of Augusta.

Cosponsored by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland and Representatives: DAUGHTRY of Brunswick, PIERCE of Falmouth, TIPPING-SPITZ of Orono.

#### **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY**

Bill "An Act To Promote Community Broadband Planning and Strengthen Economic Opportunity throughout Maine"

(H.P. 732) (L.D. 1063)

Sponsored by Representative GIDEON of Freeport.

Cosponsored by Senator MASON of Androscoggin and Representatives: Speaker EVES of North Berwick, McCABE of Skowhegan, Senators: ALFOND of Cumberland, CUSHING of Penobscot, HILL of York, President THIBODEAU of Waldo.

#### **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

Bill "An Act To Better Coordinate the Work of Mental Health Crisis Agencies with Law Enforcement Agencies"

(H.P. 713) (L.D. 1030)

Sponsored by Representative DION of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator GERZOFKY of Cumberland and Representatives: GATTINE of Westbrook, GILBERT of Jay, MALABY of Hancock, STUCKEY of Portland, Senator: BREEN of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Reimburse Nursing Homes for the Loss of Coinsurance and Deductibles for Skilled Nursing Beds under Rules Adopted by the Department of Health and Human Services"

(H.P. 719) (L.D. 1050)

Sponsored by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake.

Cosponsored by Representatives: MARTIN of Sinclair, ROTUNDO of Lewiston, SANBORN of Gorham, SAUCIER of Presque Isle, Senator: BURNS of Washington.

Bill "An Act To Feed Rural Citizens of the State"

(H.P. 721) (L.D. 1052)

Sponsored by Representative HAMANN of South Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator HASKELL of Cumberland and Representatives: DUNPHY of Old Town, GATTINE of Westbrook,

HICKMAN of Winthrop, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, McCABE of Skowhegan, STUCKEY of Portland, Senators: HILL of York, JOHNSON of Lincoln.

Bill "An Act To Provide Funding for Head Start Services"  
(H.P. 723) (L.D. 1054)

Sponsored by Representative McELWEE of Caribou.  
Cosponsored by Senator LANGLEY of Hancock and Representatives: Speaker EVES of North Berwick, FREDETTE of Newport, FREY of Bangor, HANINGTON of Lincoln, HERRICK of Paris, PICKETT of Dixfield, SHERMAN of Hodgdon, STUCKEY of Portland.

Bill "An Act Regarding Medical Marijuana Registered Testing Laboratories"  
(H.P. 727) (L.D. 1058)

Sponsored by Representative SANDERSON of Chelsea.  
Cosponsored by Senator HAMPER of Oxford and Representatives: BUCKLAND of Farmington, FARNSWORTH of Portland, PARRY of Arundel, STANLEY of Medway.

Bill "An Act Relating to Marijuana Testing Facilities"  
(H.P. 728) (L.D. 1059)

Sponsored by Representative FARNSWORTH of Portland.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: HAMANN of South Portland, HERBIG of Belfast, SANDERSON of Chelsea.

Resolve, To Create the Commission To Study a Stable Continuum of Care for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities and Autism  
(H.P. 730) (L.D. 1061)

Sponsored by Representative McCLELLAN of Raymond.  
Cosponsored by Senator LANGLEY of Hancock and Representatives: FARNSWORTH of Portland, MAKER of Calais, Senators: BRAKEY of Androscoggin, HASKELL of Cumberland, MILLETT of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Enact the Vaccine Consumer Protection Program"  
(H.P. 739) (L.D. 1076)

Sponsored by Representative O'CONNOR of Berwick.  
Cosponsored by Senator MASON of Androscoggin and Representatives: FOLEY of Wells, MALABY of Hancock, SANDERSON of Chelsea, SIROCKI of Scarborough, VACHON of Scarborough.

#### INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

Bill "An Act To Improve Snowmobiling in Maine"  
(H.P. 725) (L.D. 1056)

Sponsored by Representative WOOD of Sabattus.  
Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis and Representatives: FARRIN of Norridgewock, HILLIARD of Belgrade, LONG of Sherman, LYFORD of Eddington, PARRY of Arundel, STANLEY of Medway, THERIAULT of China, Senator: BURNS of Washington.

#### JUDICIARY

Bill "An Act To Amend the Law Regarding Temporary Powers of Attorney over Minors and Incapacitated Persons"  
(H.P. 734) (L.D. 1065)

Sponsored by Representative SANDERSON of Chelsea.  
Cosponsored by Senator HAMPER of Oxford and Representatives: BUCKLAND of Farmington, MAKER of Calais, POULIOT of Augusta, PRESCOTT of Waterboro, STANLEY of Medway, TUELL of East Machias, Senators: BURNS of Washington, VOLK of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Make Confidential the E-mail Addresses of Applicants for Department of Marine Resources Licenses"  
(H.P. 709) (L.D. 1026)

Sponsored by Representative PARRY of Arundel.  
Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, HAWKE of Boothbay Harbor, TUELL of East Machias.

Submitted by the Department of Marine Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested.

On motion of Representative HOBBS of Saco, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Improve the Unclaimed and Abandoned Property Laws"  
(H.P. 714) (L.D. 1031)

Sponsored by Representative GREENWOOD of Wales. (BY REQUEST)

Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested.

On motion of Representative HOBBS of Saco, **TABLED** pending **REFERENCE** and later today assigned.

Bill "An Act To Further Define Duties for Persons Who Hold Powers of Attorney or Act as Agents for Residents of Long-term Care Facilities"  
(H.P. 718) (L.D. 1049)

Sponsored by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake.  
Cosponsored by Senator ROSEN of Hancock and Representatives: FARNSWORTH of Portland, GATTINE of Westbrook, MALABY of Hancock, PETERSON of Rumford, STUCKEY of Portland, Senators: BURNS of Washington, HASKELL of Cumberland.

Committee on **JUDICIARY** suggested.

On motion of Representative HOBBS of Saco, **TABLED** pending **REFERENCE** and later today assigned.

#### LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Bill "An Act To Clarify Laws Concerning the Registration of Professional Engineers"  
(H.P. 711) (L.D. 1028)

Sponsored by Representative ROTUNDO of Lewiston.

Bill "An Act To Prohibit Fuel Temperature Compensation When Fuel is Dispensed to Outdoor Tanks"  
(H.P. 720) (L.D. 1051)

Sponsored by Representative SAUCIER of Presque Isle.  
Cosponsored by Senator DILL of Penobscot and Representatives: BRYANT of Windham, HANINGTON of Lincoln, HOBBS of Saco, KINNEY of Limington, MARTIN of Sinclair, SCHNECK of Bangor.

Bill "An Act To Support Housing for Homeless Veterans"  
(H.P. 731) (L.D. 1062)

Sponsored by Representative GOLDEN of Lewiston.  
Cosponsored by Senator McCORMICK of Kennebec and Representatives: BATES of Westbrook, BECK of Waterville, DOORE of Augusta, FECTEAU of Biddeford, LUCHINI of Ellsworth, PARRY of Arundel, Senators: GERZOFKY of Cumberland, KATZ of Kennebec.

## MARINE RESOURCES

Bill "An Act To Create an Elver Exporter's License"

(H.P. 710) (L.D. 1027)

Sponsored by Representative KUMIEGA of Deer Isle.

Cosponsored by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox and Representative: PIERCE of Dresden.

Submitted by the Department of Marine Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

## TAXATION

Bill "An Act To Allow a Municipality To Abate Taxes Assessed on Property That Is Destroyed"

(H.P. 724) (L.D. 1055)

Sponsored by Representative COOPER of Yarmouth.

Cosponsored by Senator BREEN of Cumberland.

Bill "An Act To Strengthen Revenue Sharing"

(H.P. 729) (L.D. 1060)

Sponsored by Representative GOODE of Bangor.

## TRANSPORTATION

Bill "An Act Making Unified Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government, Highway Fund and Other Funds and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2016 and June 30, 2017"

(H.P. 740) (L.D. 1080)

Sponsored by Representative McLEAN of Gorham. (GOVERNOR'S BILL)

Cosponsored by Senator COLLINS of York.

## VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

Bill "An Act To Provide for the Licensing of a Casino Owned by the Maliseet Tribal Government on Tribal Lands in Aroostook County"

(H.P. 735) (L.D. 1066)

Sponsored by Representative BEAR of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians.

Cosponsored by Senator VALENTINO of York and Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, BATES of Westbrook, BEAVERS of South Berwick, BECK of Waterville, BEEBE-CENTER of Rockland, BICKFORD of Auburn, BROOKS of Lewiston, BUCKLAND of Farmington, CAMPBELL of Orrington, CHAPMAN of Brooksville, CHENETTE of Saco, COREY of Windham, DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, DAVITT of Hampden, DeCHANT of Bath, DION of Portland, DOORE of Augusta, DUCHESNE of Hudson, DUNPHY of Old Town, EVANGELOS of Friendship, FARNSWORTH of Portland, FARRIN of Norridgewock, GERRISH of Lebanon, GILBERT of Jay, HAMANN of South Portland, HANINGTON of Lincoln, HICKMAN of Winthrop, HOBART of Bowdoinham, HOGAN of Old Orchard Beach, JORGENSEN of Portland, KINNEY of Limington, KUMIEGA of Deer Isle, LAJOIE of Lewiston, LONG of Sherman, LONGSTAFF of Waterville, MAKER of Calais, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MASTRACCIO of Sanford, McCABE of Skowhegan, McELWEE of Caribou, McLEAN of Gorham, MELARAGNO of Auburn, MONAGHAN of Cape Elizabeth, NADEAU of Winslow, NUTTING of Oakland, O'CONNOR of Berwick, PARRY of Arundel, PETERSON of Rumford, PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield, PIERCE of Dresden, POWERS of Naples, PRESCOTT of Waterboro, ROTUNDO of Lewiston, RUSSELL of Portland, SANBORN of Gorham, SAUCIER of Presque Isle, SHERMAN of Hodgdon, SKOLFIELD of Weld,

STANLEY of Medway, STUCKEY of Portland, TEPLER of Topsham, THERIAULT of China, TIPPING-SPITZ of Orono, TUCKER of Brunswick, VEROW of Brewer, WADSWORTH of Hiram, WARREN of Hallowell, Senators: BAKER of Sagadahoc, BRAKEY of Androscoggin, DIAMOND of Cumberland, DILL of Penobscot, GERZOFKY of Cumberland, LIBBY of Androscoggin, McCORMICK of Kennebec, PATRICK of Oxford, ROSEN of Hancock, SAVIELLO of Franklin, WOODSOME of York.

Bill "An Act To Protect the Maine Clean Election Fund"

(H.P. 736) (L.D. 1067)

Sponsored by Representative DAVITT of Hampden. (BY REQUEST)

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

## SPECIAL SENTIMENT CALENDAR

In accordance with House Rule 519 and Joint Rule 213, the following items:

### Recognizing:

Emma Cloyd, of Camden, who is the recipient of a 2015 Prudential Spirit of Community Award for exemplary volunteer service. The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards, created in 1995 by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, are designed to emphasize the importance our nation places on service to others and to encourage all young Americans to contribute to their communities. More than 30,000 young people from across the country participated in this year's program. Emma is a role model to her peers and in her community. We extend to Emma our congratulations and best wishes;

(SLS 245)

On **OBJECTION** of Representative BURSTEIN of Lincolnville, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

### READ.

On motion of the same Representative, **TABLED** pending **PASSAGE** and later today assigned.

### Recognizing:

Logan Wood, of Machias, a senior at Machias Memorial High School, who scored his 1,000th career point in basketball at a game on February 16, 2015. Logan was named Darling's/*Bangor Daily News* Player of the Game at that game on the same night. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Logan on this achievement;

(HLS 141)

Presented by Representative TUELL of East Machias.

Cosponsored by Senator BURNS of Washington.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative TUELL of East Machias, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

### READ.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the Representative from East Machias, Representative Tuell.

Representative **TUELL**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, it's my great pleasure to welcome Logan and his family here to the Capitol Building today.

Being winter in Maine, it's a long haul, especially from Machias, and the amount of snow we all have down there. So, it's a great testament to the sacrifice they've really made throughout the winter, and throughout the past four winters.

Logan has earned a tremendous accomplishment of 1,000 points scored for the Machias Bulldogs Class E basketball boys' team, and I just want to say it's a lot of hard work and a lot of effort and a lot of time put in through snowy nights and windy nights, and not small crowds.

And, Logan really deserves this honor and I think we all ought to give him a big round of applause for coming up here today.

Subsequently, the Sentiment was **PASSED** and sent for concurrence.

#### Recognizing:

Tate Dolley, of Machias, a junior at Machias Memorial High School, who has earned her 1,000th point playing basketball for the Bulldogs. Tate earned that point playing a game against Bangor Christian School, in which she scored a total of 32 points. We extend to Tate our congratulations and best wishes;

(HLS 142)

Presented by Representative TUELL of East Machias.

Cosponsored by Senator BURNS of Washington.

On **OBJECTION** of Representative TUELL of East Machias, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

#### READ.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from East Machias, Representative Tuell.

Representative TUELL: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, it's a great honor to be able to do a double-dip today, so to speak. When we got two students from one little downeast high school up here being honored for their 1000th point.

I assure you that Tate Dolley, like Logan, has been a star since she set foot on the basketball court a few years ago. And in three years' time has scored 1000 points, taking the Machias Lady Bulldogs to the tournaments during her time there. I would also say that Tate has put in incredibly long hours, worked incredibly hard, done a great job, and deserves this honor, as does her family for taking her to the games, following the games, being involved.

It says a lot for the work ethic, both of Tate and Logan and the young people we have here today, that they can get these accomplishments and be honored in such a way. I think sometimes we lose sight of the simple things, and we ought to respect that and honor it and give our deepest congratulations to Tate here as well. So, please join me in doing so.

Subsequently, the Sentiment was **PASSED** and sent for concurrence.

#### In Memory of:

the Honorable Peter Danton, of Saco, a former State Senator and Deputy Secretary of State. Mr. Danton served 7 terms in the Maine State Senate, from 1971 to 1980 and from 1983 to 1986, serving as Assistant Minority Leader from 1973 to 1978. He also served on the board of the Maine Turnpike Authority, as Chief of Staff to Governor Joseph Brennan, as Deputy Secretary of State, as Chair of the State Liquor and Lottery Commission and as Chair of the Gambling Control Board. Before his public service began, Mr. Danton was a restaurateur, beginning by working in his family's restaurant at the age of 14. He went on to open his own restaurants in Old Orchard Beach and other towns along the State's southern coast. We acknowledge Mr. Danton's long service in the Legislature and to the State. Mr. Danton will be long remembered and sadly missed by his family and friends and his colleagues from the Legislature and elsewhere in State Government;

(SLS 241)

On **OBJECTION** of Representative HOBBS of Saco, was **REMOVED** from the Special Sentiment Calendar.

#### READ.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Saco, Representative Hobbins.

Representative HOBBS: Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Women and Men of this Body, it is with great respect and loyalty that I have known Peter Danton all of my adult life, and in fact I first met Peter Danton when he saw my mother and father when I was a baby carriage going down his home town of Saco, Maine.

Peter Danton has had a remarkable life journey. From a cold water flat in Biddeford on Foss Street to being a State Senator; being a legislative leader; being a Deputy Secretary of State; numerous other appointed positions by six different governors of the State of Maine since 1970.

He was considered to be a leader, not only here in his home district of Saco and the communities he represented, but he was really one of the major leaders within the Greek-American community, which he was so proud to be part of. His heritage meant a great deal to him, and his success and his over-achieving in life was something that made him proud and made his family and made the citizens of his legislative districts extremely proud.

I think that there's another factor that you didn't see in this legislative sentiment in honor of Peter, and that is, in his 50's he went back to college and received an Associate's degree and also a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Maine at Augusta. I think that's remarkable, that someone who started working in his little past ten years of age, would think enough and respect enough of the educational process that he wanted to have that as part of his life being.

So, it is with pride that I am on and sponsored this, along with Senator Valentino and also the good Representative from Saco, because it's extremely, I think it's extremely with pride that all of us who have ever known Peter involved in the political process, felt of him as not only a guiding light, a mentor, but also a friend. He will be sorely missed by those he served in all the different appointments throughout state government and to those he's mentored—from the dishwasher at the Hitching Post Restaurant to being Chief of Staff of Joe Brennan.

His funeral was a proud moment, and he would've been proud except for the long speech that was given by former President Gerard P. Conley, who was a close friend of his. He would've been upset that President Conley went on so long, but there was a lot to praise Peter Danton for, and he would be proud to say that that dishwasher from the Hitching Post along with two former governors were there to pay their last respects. So, Peter, this is the Legislator's way to say "Goodbye and thank you."

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Saco, Representative Chenette.

Representative CHENETTE: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As the good Representative from Saco, Representative Hobbins said, our community and state has lost a great man and public servant this past week, the former Senator Peter Danton of Saco.

I considered Peter a close mentor, as did many in politics, and I've only known him a few years, but he had such a profound impact on my life. He would frequently visit our legislative office in Saco meeting with Senator Valentino, and Representative Hobbins and myself on various bills and the political gossip behind the scenes. He was always curious about that.

He would also help us provide insight and was always there if you needed him, both in our campaigns and our legislative work. During my first run for office back in 2012, it was an honor to

have his blessing and support throughout it all. Having that kind of wavering support from someone who has been in your shoes is important, not just in politics, but in life. It's not something you forget, either.

I came to expect his smile, his voice on an almost weekly basis. He was a constant presence in our political lives until the very end. He never let his health deter him from his insatiable curiosity for the constantly changing information landscape, always pondering, questioning, and reaffirming his place in our Maine society, limitless beyond any title bestowed upon him throughout his life.

Peter's legacy of putting people first and helping those most in need will live on in the halls up here in Augusta and in our community back home in Saco. He will be missed not only by those closest loved ones, but also by those lucky individuals who got a glimpse of Peter's caring spirit and insight. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative from Old Orchard Beach, Representative Hogan.

Representative **HOGAN**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, Senator Danton was a friend of mine, a very, very good friend. We talked almost weekly about things that are going on.

Recently, he called me, about two weeks ago, "Georgie," that's what he called me, I called him Pete. "Georgie, I have an idea on the budget. Can you meet with me?" So, I did, and we did talk.

So, Pete got along with everybody. He was generous, he was kind, he was very helpful. Pete contributed to a lot of campaigns, including many on the other side. And, I asked him one time, "Pete, why do you do that?" And he said, "You never know when you're going to need a favor." So, that's the way Pete thought.

Pete loved to laugh. And, he told me some stories, one recently about when he was serving way back when. You could smoke in the chambers. In fact, I guess it must've been encouraged because everybody had an ashtray. And then, prohibiting smoking came along, but some were addicted, they couldn't stop. One of them happened to be his President of the Senate, and he would duck down below the podium, but the thing that would give him away was the swirl of smoke going above him. And, Pete would laugh like crazy at something like that.

Peter also did a lot of things that Senator Hobbins mentioned. He was involved in a tremendous amount of things. But, Pete also was one of the founding Legislators at the University of New England, for the University of New England, as well as the York County Community College.

So, he was not only kind, generous, and he was a great Legislator, and I'll miss my friend. I called him every week, or he would call me, and I can say that he was a true, true friend in every sense of the word.

Subsequently, the Sentiment was **ADOPTED** and sent for concurrence.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

### Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on Bill "An Act Regarding Posting of Legal Notices and Legal Advertising"

(S.P. 96) (L.D. 258)

Signed:

Senators:

LIBBY of Androscoggin

WOODSOME of York

Representatives:

MARTIN of Sinclair  
BABBIDGE of Kennebunk  
BRYANT of Windham  
DOORE of Augusta  
GREENWOOD of Wales  
PICKETT of Dixfield  
TURNER of Burlington

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass** on same Bill.

Signed:

Senator:

WILLETTE of Aroostook

Representatives:

EVANGELOS of Friendship  
NADEAU of Winslow  
TUELL of East Machias

Came from the Senate with the Majority **OUGHT NOT TO PASS** Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED**.

On motion of Representative MARTIN of Sinclair, the Majority **Ought Not to Pass** Report was **ACCEPTED** in concurrence.

Majority Report of the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** reporting **Ought Not to Pass** on Bill "An Act To Limit the Information Required To Be Printed on Municipal Referenda Ballots"

(H.P. 156) (L.D. 224)

Signed:

Senators:

WILLETTE of Aroostook  
LIBBY of Androscoggin  
WOODSOME of York

Representatives:

MARTIN of Sinclair  
BABBIDGE of Kennebunk  
BRYANT of Windham  
DOORE of Augusta  
EVANGELOS of Friendship  
GREENWOOD of Wales  
NADEAU of Winslow  
TUELL of East Machias  
TURNER of Burlington

Minority Report of the same Committee reporting **Ought to Pass** on same Bill.

Signed:

Representative:

PICKETT of Dixfield

On motion of Representative MARTIN of Sinclair, the Majority **Ought Not to Pass** Report was **ACCEPTED** and sent for concurrence.

## CONSENT CALENDAR

### First Day

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the First Day:

(H.P. 13) (L.D. 10) Bill "An Act To Establish Native American Heritage and Culture Day" Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 177) (L.D. 245) Bill "An Act To Rename B Stream in Houlton as Captain Ambrose Bear Stream" Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** reporting **Ought to Pass**

(H.P. 81) (L.D. 109) Bill "An Act To Ensure Maine Companies Have Access to Skilled Labor" Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** reporting **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-20)**

There being no objections, the above items were ordered to appear on the Consent Calendar tomorrow under the listing of Second Day.

## CONSENT CALENDAR

### Second Day

In accordance with House Rule 519, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the Second Day:

(S.P. 115) (L.D. 300) Bill "An Act To Appropriate Funds To Help Restore the Historic Wood Island Life Saving Station in Kittery" (C. "A" S-2)

(H.P. 143) (L.D. 200) Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 895: Underground Facility Damage Prevention Requirements, a Major Substantive Rule of the Public Utilities Commission (EMERGENCY) (C. "A" H-17)

(H.P. 204) (L.D. 286) Bill "An Act Making Supplemental Allocations from the Highway Fund and Other Funds for the Expenditures of State Government Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015" (EMERGENCY) (C. "A" H-19)

No objections having been noted at the end of the Second Legislative Day, the Senate Paper was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended** in concurrence and the House Papers were **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED as Amended** and sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

The following items were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The following matters, in the consideration of which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment Thursday, March 19, 2015, had preference in the Orders of the Day and continued with such preference until disposed of as provided by House Rule 502.

Bill "An Act To Improve Regulatory Consistency within the Jurisdiction of the Maine Land Use Planning Commission"

(H.P. 562) (L.D. 828)

- In House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** on March 10, 2015.

- In Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

TABLED - March 18, 2015 (Till Later Today) by Representative McCABE of Skowhegan.

PENDING - **FURTHER CONSIDERATION**.

Subsequently, the House voted to **RECEDE AND CONCUR**.

Bill "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Wind Energy Development Permitting"

(H.P. 540) (L.D. 791)

- In House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** on March 10, 2015.

- In Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

TABLED - March 19, 2015 (Till Later Today) by Representative FREDETTE of Newport.

PENDING - **FURTHER CONSIDERATION**.

Subsequently, the House voted to **RECEDE AND CONCUR**.

Bill "An Act To Enhance Equity and Efficiency for Off-track Betting Facilities"

(H.P. 572) (L.D. 838)

- In House, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** on March 12, 2015.

- In Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

TABLED - March 18, 2015 (Till Later Today) by Representative McCABE of Skowhegan.

PENDING - **FURTHER CONSIDERATION**.

Subsequently, the House voted to **INSIST**.

Bill "An Act To Preserve Agricultural Fairs" (EMERGENCY)

(H.P. 707) (L.D. 1024)

(Committee on **VETERANS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** suggested)

TABLED - March 19, 2015 (Till Later Today) by Representative SAUCIER of Presque Isle.

PENDING - **REFERENCE**.

Subsequently, the Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY**, ordered printed and sent for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

## SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act To Restore Farmlands and Improve Watersheds"

(S.P. 367) (L.D. 1041)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** in concurrence.

Bill "An Act To Increase the Penalties for Vandalizing a Cemetery"

(S.P. 374) (L.D. 1071)

Bill "An Act To Create a Cause of Action for Damage to Public Easements"

(S.P. 377) (L.D. 1074)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY** in concurrence.

Resolve, To Assist the University of Maine System and the Maine Community College System To Reduce the Need for Remedial Education

(S.P. 359) (L.D. 1033)

Resolve, To Create the Task Force on School Leadership (EMERGENCY)

(S.P. 368) (L.D. 1042)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Lower Energy Costs and Increase Access to Solar Energy for Agricultural Businesses"

(S.P. 376) (L.D. 1073)

Bill "An Act To Amend the Charter of the Canton Water District"

(S.P. 378) (L.D. 1075)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Enhance Funding Opportunities for the Youth Conservation Corps"

(S.P. 366) (L.D. 1040)

Bill "An Act To Strengthen the Overboard Discharge Removal Grant Program"

(S.P. 369) (L.D. 1043)

Bill "An Act To Ensure That Collection Facilities Can Participate in the Architectural Paint Stewardship Program"

(S.P. 370) (L.D. 1044)

Bill "An Act To Modify the Laws Regarding the Collection and Recycling of Mercury-added Thermostats"

(S.P. 371) (L.D. 1045)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Prohibit the Use of EBT Cards for Cash Withdrawals"

(S.P. 360) (L.D. 1034)

Bill "An Act To Create a 9-month Time Limit on General Assistance Benefits"

(S.P. 361) (L.D. 1035)

Bill "An Act To Prioritize Use of Available Resources in General Assistance Programs"

(S.P. 362) (L.D. 1036)

Bill "An Act To Establish a 180-day Residency Requirement for Welfare Benefits"

(S.P. 363) (L.D. 1037)

Bill "An Act To Ensure Access to Public Health Nursing Care and Child and Maternal Health Nursing Care in Washington County"

(S.P. 379) (L.D. 1077)

Bill "An Act To Preserve MaineCare Assisted Living by Providing a Cost-of-living Adjustment to Private Nonmedical Institutions and Adult Family Care Homes"

(S.P. 380) (L.D. 1078)

Resolve, To Support and Encourage the Expansion of Adult Family Care Services at Residential Care Facilities

(S.P. 381) (L.D. 1079)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Amend the Polygraph Examiners Act"

(S.P. 365) (L.D. 1039)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Amend the Emergency Rule-making Authority of the Department of Marine Resources"

(S.P. 364) (L.D. 1038)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **MARINE RESOURCES** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Penalize Legislators for Excessive Absences"

(S.P. 372) (L.D. 1046)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** in concurrence.

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Bill "An Act To Retain More Retirees in Maine"

(S.P. 373) (L.D. 1070)

Bill "An Act To Encourage Maine's Economic Competitiveness"

(S.P. 375) (L.D. 1072)

Came from the Senate, **REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** and ordered printed.

**REFERRED** to the Committee on **TAXATION** in concurrence.

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By unanimous consent, all matters having been acted upon were **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

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On motion of Representative HOBBS of Saco, the House adjourned at 11:55 a.m., until 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 25, 2015, in honor and lasting tribute to Wallace H. Desjardins, of Wallagrass and the Honorable Peter Danton, of Saco.